

STEP 1 CHECK THE BASICS

1 Put the words in the list into the correct category.

waiter receptionist doctor drummer accountant
nurse shop assistant pianist dentist

Office job: receptionist accountant

Musician: drummer pianist

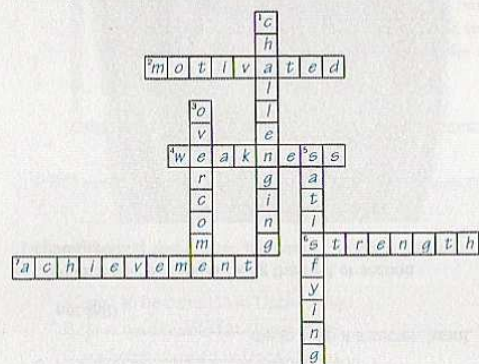
Medical job: doctor nurse
dentist

Other: waiter shop assistant

STEP 2 MOVE ON

Ambition and motivation

2 Complete the crossword.



Across

2. very interested in something (9)
4. something that you are not good at (8)
6. something that you are very good at (8)
7. something that you do well using effort and ability (11)

Down

1. quite difficult to do (11)
3. control a problem (8)
5. making you feel good after doing something well (10)

3 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the expressions in the list.

achieve her goal fail exams feel under pressure
fulfil her ambition get everything right
get everything wrong pass exams put pressure on

Maria is a model student. Her parents make her study hard and (1) put pressure on her to do well. When she does exams, she makes almost no mistakes. In fact, she usually (2) gets everything right.

Consequently, she (3) passes exams with grade 'A's. She wants to go to university to study medicine and (4) achieve her goal to be a doctor.

Raquel doesn't like studying. She was always relaxed and never (5) felt under pressure from her parents. She makes lots of mistakes and sometimes (6) gets everything wrong, so she often (7) fails exams and has to retake them. However, she says it doesn't matter because she doesn't need good exam results to (8) fulfil her ambition of becoming a singer.

Looking for a job

4 Complete the sentences with the words in the list.

advert apply for boss employer
job-centre part-time position

Last month I went to the (1) job-centre to find a job. I was looking for a (2) part-time job – just three days a week. I saw an (3) advert for a job in a shop. The ad didn't give much information about the (4) position. But I decided to (5) apply for the job anyway. The following week the (6) employer invited me for an interview. I was offered the job and my new (7) boss is very friendly.

5 Complete the text with the correct form of a verb from A and an expression from B.

A advertise invite earn fill in have supply
B a reference a vacancy an application form
good wages me for an interview experience

The other day, a shop in the town centre (1) advertised a vacancy for a shop assistant. I went to the shop and (2) filled in an application form and a couple of days later, they (3) invited me for an interview. They asked me lots of difficult questions and I was a bit nervous. I told them that I (4) had experience in doing similar work, and they liked that. They asked me to (5) supply a reference so I asked my friend's dad because he's very respectable! I don't think I'll (6) earn good wages so don't ask me to lend you money!

Idioms and expressions: Success

6 Complete the text with the correct form of a verb from A and an expression from B.



A come get go make make
B headway it nowhere places to nothing

It's not easy to (1) make it as a novelist. Ask J.K. Rowling. She wrote her first Harry Potter novel in Edinburgh cafés while looking after a baby. She was also unemployed at the time. She sent the manuscript to a publisher but it was rejected. She then sent it to another eleven publishers, but all her efforts (2) came to nothing as each publisher said no. She (3) was getting nowhere. One year later, she finally (4) made headway when a small publisher called Bloomsbury agreed to publish *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*. At last, she felt that she (5) was going places. I suppose the moral is 'If at first you don't succeed, try again!'

Noun suffixes: Jobs and professions

7 Read the sentences. Write the name of the person's job or profession.

- I do dental work. dentist
- I give people therapy. therapist
- I work in a library. librarian
- I write articles for a newspaper. journalist
- I translate documents. translator
- I play the drums in a band. drummer
- I do people's accounts. accountant
- I do surgical operations. surgeon
- I play the piano professionally. pianist
- I represent a political party. politician
- I study mathematical problems. mathematician

Noun suffixes: -ist and -ism

8 Complete the sentences with the words in the list and the correct suffix, -ist or -ism.

age capital modern pacific sex surreal

- 1 People talk about gender equality, but there's still a lot of sexism.
- 2 Barcelona is famous for its modernist buildings, many built by Gaudi.
- 3 I believe in pacifism – I don't think wars or violence are a solution.
- 4 Salvador Dalí was one of the greatest surrealist painters.
- 5 Ageism means discriminating against people because of how old they are.
- 6 In Russia in the 1990s, communism was slowly replaced by capitalism.

STEP 3 CONSOLIDATE

9 Complete the job advertisement with the words and expressions in the list. Use the correct forms of the verbs.

application form apply experience motivated
part-time pass vacancy

Spanish Teacher

(1) Vacancy for a (2) part-time (mornings only) teacher of Spanish.

Required to teach (3) motivated students who want to (4) pass the Diploma de Español exam. Must have (5) experience of teaching Spanish as a foreign language.

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